

Exhibition Poultry Miscellany of S. Robert Powell

Show in the photograph at the head of this item are three twentieth century poultry legends in northeastern Pennsylvania: Merl Rynearson (standard Brahmas), George Schroeder (Cochin bantams) and Cecil Rose (many breeds and varieties). These three master breeders and exhibitors are show here in a photograph that was taken by S. R. Powell at the entrance to the Poultry Building on the Wayne County Fairgrounds, Honesdale.

Presented in this item is a collection of 248 miscellaneous poultry items and papers, all of which relate, directly or indirectly, to the history of exhibition poultry in northeastern Pennsylvania and the history of exhibition poultry in America in general. Some of these items, but not all of them, appear in the many S. Robert Powell poultry items that are presented here on *Internet Archive*. Nine of those 248 items are Word files; 239 of those items are jpg files.

Also presented here are photographs that were taken during two nationally-important poultry events that were made possible, organized, and orchestrated by SRP: (1) Martha Stewart's visit to the Central Pennsylvania Avian Club's show in Bloomsburg on May 3, 1997 (see video of this visit on *Internet Archive* under the title "Martha Stewart and Exhibition Poultry"), and (2) S. Robert Powell's appearance on the *Today Show* with about 15 of his exhibition birds on October 25, 2000 (see video of this visit on *Internet Archive* under the title "Exhibition Poultry on the Today Show").

An enormous quantity of SRP poultry-related material is also presented in the *Journals of S. Robert Powell*, beginning in June 1984 when he moved to Elkdale, PA.

In addition to raising and showing exhibition poultry, S. Robert Powell also served three terms as the District 2 Director (DC, DE, MD, NJ, NY, and PA) of the American Poultry Association, from April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2006. During those six years, he attended every meeting of the APA's Board of Directors and every APA general-membership meeting (Woodstock, Wapakoneta, Lincoln, Fort Worth, Columbus, Lucasville, Lake City, Syracuse, Delmarva, Stockton). A comprehensive listing of his accomplishments and contributions to the health and well being of the exhibition poultry hobby during those six years is given on pages 15-18 of the Winter 2006 issue of the American Poultry Association's "News and Views."

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